

Ma Kyrle Bellew and Mrs Brown-Potter

Mr Kyrie Bellow and Mrs Brown Potter arrived Hongkong by the English mail yesterday. They propose to give a few performances here.

At Mainz three Japanese officers, viz. Lieutenant-Colonel Harapooki, Captain Nambu, and Captain Ootoku, all three from Tokio, have arrived to be instructed in the German army. All three gentlemen are to be sent to the German frontier regions, and the colonel and commander of which for a long while lived in Japan, and is well versed in the Japanese language.

This engineer, Mr. A. Haime, Bremenhaven, has been given the high Chinese Order of the Double Dragon, and with a certificate of the Grand Admiral of the Chinese Fleet, Ting Yue Chang. Herr Haime is May,

1857, was destroyed by the United States frigate, the *Albatross*, and the Chinese iron-clad *King Yung*, built by the Vulcan Company at Stettin, to China, as well as to instruct the Chinese engineers.

EMPEROR Wilhelm on the 1st April paid a visit to the Vulcan Shipbuilding Yard at Stettin, where the giant steamer *Pfaff-Behmer* is nearly completed for the Hamburg-American Company. The chairman of the company, Mr. W. Nissen, of the firm of Siemens and Co., conducted the Emperor through the palace-like rooms of the beautiful steamer. The Emperor was highly astonished to find such excellent comfort in a vessel.

The *Stettin Times* of April 1st says:

letters from Mic Bibby, by Saturday e-mail, it is mentioned that he had got bottom at the old workings at Sanger Arm at about 23 feet from surface. Here, he says, he found about 5 feet (presumably wide) of crumbling stuff; how much more there is he can't say as he could not get to the west side of it. The formation is that of quartz leaders in soft, yellow clay, very easy to work, and it presents for fully 2 ounces per ton. He has had to stop working there until he can get a steam pump at work on account of heavy water.

mail service is about to be established between this country and Japan, and on the way Vancouver, in connection with a conference with the Canadian Pacific Railway company. The first departure from London will be made on Thursday, April 23. Subsequent departures in each direction will be at regular intervals, approximately twice weekly. The first return to Japan will be on the 29th, and will be decidedly advantageous, as the course of post will be only a matter of 10 days; and all letters from Japan posted after the departure from London of the mail of the previous Friday will be in time to be received by the addressee for use on the following day.

route. Correspondence for Hongkong and China will still be sent *via* Brindisi or by French packet, as at present, unless otherwise addressed.

Tokunomiya, says a correspondent, the Indian Government proposes to suppress the French Consulate in the Karakoram postoms in Ladakh, Panditocherry, and Kaniakab, but the consulate in the Portuguese settlement of Goa will still be retained. The truth is that these belated 'colonies' are rapidly losing value for the Government, they are useless, and have just seen an official renunciation of the trade of these places. As to the French possessions, it seems that while in 1886 the foreign trade amounted to 1,154,572 francs, imports and 10,200,224 francs of exports, at

9,308,972 rs. respectively—a total of rather less than 750,000 c. In every department of the trade those who have been declining have been it be trade with France, with the Netherlands colonies, with Great Britain, and with India. The only article which has been increasing is rice, but nothing, of rice to almost nothing, and the metals to a mere fraction, and so for many other staples. In the Portuguese possessions the case is not quite the same. The total imports of 1894 were 3,005,448 m. of value, against 1,981,895 m. in 1893, an increase of 51 per cent. 380,000 m. of value, against 193,770 m. in 1893. Some of the items which have increased in the statistics show how process the local statistics are for 1894. In 1893 the live animals to the value of 17, were reported, against 188, in 1894. The value of the

valued at 5.75, was compared with the article's drop of 20 cents. The two we have 8 in. worth of stock for some time. Not proper to be in the market in the middle of the year. This was a mistake. We had a good deal of work was finished by the end of the year and created interest throughout all of India."

—*THE HINDU*

THE HON. S. D. BANERJEE, M. L. A., (K. L. A. Line) on the 4th inst. held his annual meeting. The shareholders present numbered 4,500. A large number of the members of the Board of Directors represented the report of the past year, stating that there was a very small profit on freights made in 1910 to the amount

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10 but who felt himself unable to fill his
5 any longer, his own firm occupying him
5 much, was to be elected for the Aufs-
5 satz (Board of Directors) and the
5 forty of the shareholders preferred to elect
2 Schwarz, director of the Verein Bank
2 Hamburg, as a member of the Aufsatz-
2 rat, so that Herr Putschkin has
1 retired.

